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BUFFALO DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

September 8, 2000

Project Management

SUBJECT: Project Management of the Lake Ontario Ordnance Works Site

Dr. Nils Olsen Jr.  
Community Co-Chairman,  
Lake Ontario Ordnance Works Restoration Advisory Board  
650 Main Street  
Youngstown, New York 14174

I am writing to inform you that I will be relinquishing the duties of Project Manager of the Lake Ontario Ordnance Works (LOOW) Site during September 2000.

This decision has been difficult to make and I believe is in the overall best interest of the success of the LOOW project. My current workload does not allow me to provide the attention that I believe the LOOW project requires. Assignment of a new Project Manager will provide for continued success and will not jeopardize the dedication to, or quality of the products we have underway and planned in the future. More importantly, we have developed a Technical Team that is well qualified and dedicated to this project and that remains in place.

Ms. Mary Kay O'Mara will be assuming the role of Project Manager. She has been with the Buffalo District for 8 years, is an Environmental Engineer and has a Bachelors and Masters degree in Civil Engineering from the State University of New York at Buffalo. Mary Kay is a licensed Professional Engineer with the State of New York and has worked on many environmental projects and has experience with both project engineering and project management. In summary, I am confident in her abilities and fully expect this decision to be in the best interest of the LOOW issues.

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I have been honored to serve as the Project Manager for this site for several years. I take pride in the successes that have been achieved during my tenure. In summary, we have:


- completed the Phase 1 Remedial Investigation (RI) and History Search,
- are currently underway with the Phase 2 RI,
- completed interim actions (asbestos and miscellaneous chemical removal) at the Somerset property,
- are continuing with removal of the TNT pipeline and chemical waste sewerline on CWM property,
- have additional removal actions being planned,
- and have established the Restoration Advisory Board.

I am providing an information copy of this letter to each of the Restoration Advisory Board members.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (716) 879-4146.

Ms. O'Mara may be contacted at (716) 879-4417.

Sincerely,



Raymond L. Pilon